



## **H.R.361 – Lower Rio Grande Valley Water Resources Conservation and Improvement Act of 2007**

### **Floor Situation**

H.R. 361 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Ruben Hinojosa (D-TX) on January 10, 2007. The bill was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 361 has not been considered by any Committee in the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress.

H.R. 361 is expected to be considered by the House on June 5, 2007.

*\*Note: An identical bill (H.R. 395) was introduced in the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress, but was never considered by the House of Representatives.*

### **Summary**

H.R. 361 re-authorizes several projects to be carried out pursuant to the Lower Rio Grande Valley Water Resources Conservation and Improvement Act of 2000 (P.L. 105-576).

### **Background**

The Lower Rio Grande Valley Water Resources Conservation and Improvement Act of 2000 (P.L. 105-576) authored by Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson was signed into law on December 28, 2000. The purpose of this legislation was to allow the Secretary of the Interior to improve water conservation and the water supply in the Rio Grande Area.

H.R. 361 re-authorizes the following projects to be financed by the Department of Interior:

- In Cameron County, Texas, Bayview Irrigation District No. 11, water conservation and improvement project at a cost of \$1,425,219
- In the Cameron County, Texas, Brownsville Irrigation District, water conservation and improvement project at a cost of \$722,100
- In the Cameron County, Texas Harlingen Irrigation District No. 1, water conservation and improvement project at a cost of \$4,173,950

- In the Cameron County, Texas, Cameron County Irrigation District No. 2, water conservation and improvement projects at a cost of \$8,269,576
- In the Cameron County, Texas, Cameron County Irrigation District No. 6, water conservation and improvement projects at a cost of \$5,607,300
- In the Cameron County, Texas, Adams Gardens Irrigation District No. 19, water conservation and improvement project at a cost of \$2,500,000
- In the Hidalgo and Cameron Counties, Texas, Hidalgo and Cameron Counties Irrigation District No. 9, water conservation and improvement projects at a cost of \$8,929,152
- In the Hidalgo and Willacy Counties, Texas, Delta Lake Irrigation District, water conservation and improvement projects a cost of \$8,000,000
- In the Hidalgo County, Texas, Hidalgo County Irrigation District No. 2, a water conservation and improvement at a cost of \$5,312,475
- In the Hidalgo County, Texas, Hidalgo County Irrigation District No. 1, water conservation and improvement projects at a cost of \$5,595,018
- In the Hidalgo County, Texas, Hidalgo County Irrigation District No. 6, water conservation and improvement projects at a cost of \$3,450,000
- In the Hidalgo County, Texas Santa Cruz Irrigation District No. 15, water conservation and improvement projects at a cost of \$4,609,000
- In the Hidalgo County, Texas, Engelman Irrigation District, water conservation and improvement projects at a cost of \$2,251,480
- In the Hidalgo County, Texas, Valley Acres Water District, water conservation and improvement projects at a cost of \$500,000
- In the Hudspeth County, Texas, Hudspeth County Conservation and Reclamation District No. 1, water conservation and improvement projects at a cost of \$1,500,000
- In the El Paso County, Texas, El Paso County Water Improvement District No. 1, water conservation and improvement projects at a cost of \$10,500,000
- In the Hidalgo County, Texas, Donna Irrigation District, water conservation and improvement projects at a cost of \$2,500,000
- In the Hidalgo County, Texas, Hidalgo County Irrigation District No. 16, water conservation and improvement projects at a cost of \$2,800,000

- The United Irrigation District of Hidalgo County water conservation and improvement projects at a cost of \$6,067,021

**Cost**

H.R. 361 has not been scored by the Congressional Budget Office.

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